2025 ELECTIONS

Kathryn Mostow, Precinct 8

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Hi Precinct 8 neighbors! My name is Kathryn Mostow and I've been a Winchester resident for almost 10 years, first as a renter in Precinct 6 and for the past 5+ years as a homeowner in Precinct 8.

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My Bio

I'm a single parent of 2 kids - one who is a WHS Class of 2023 alum (and current UMass-Amherst student) and one who is a current WHS sophomore. I'm also a former high school teacher, worked for 10 years as a public health educator, and currently do health-related prevention and education work in higher ed. I also volunteer for the Community Dispute Settlement Center in Cambridge, where I received training in mediation this past Fall 2024.

I grew up in Colorado and love the outdoors, so you can find me almost daily walking in and around Horn Pond, or using the Tri-Community Greenway path to walk into town. I'm a songwriter and musician, and have enjoyed performing in Winchester's annual Porchfest. I love reading (I ❤️ Bookends!), gardening, and travel. Around town, I volunteer at Wright-Locke Farm and enjoy supporting the local businesses - both old and new.

Why Town Meeting?

This is my first time running for Town Meeting, and I am running in part to represent families and individuals who, like me, are living in Winchester on a more modest or fixed income. It was incredibly challenging to find a place that I could afford here, and we need more options for a wider range of individuals and families – ADUs, multi-family housing (like mine), and mixed-use projects. At the town level, I will speak up for affordable housing, thoroughly evaluate affordable housing proposals, and work to create a more welcoming community for people *across* the economic spectrum in Winchester.

I'm also running because I care deeply about public education and the important role our schools play in our community – whether we have kids in the system or not. As a former classroom teacher and parent of a current high schooler, I am able to see educational issues from multiple perspectives – as an educator, parent, and taxpayer. I believe this

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see more than one side of an issue will allow me to advocate for a variety of concerns related to our schools, including the school budget.

I also have a personal passion for the arts and their ability to create more vibrant communities. The ongoing RiverWalk exhibition and the new Shore Road sculpture park are just a few examples of how public art can enhance our community while also creating a “destination” for folks outside of Winchester.

Finally, I am running because I want to give back to our precinct and represent our collective concerns in town government. I am proud to call Precinct 8 "home" – and grateful that I was able to find my place here. I want more individuals and families to feel at “home” in our precinct and to feel their voice is being heard at the town level.

If Elected, What Can You Expect?

If elected, I look forward to learning about your concerns and your hopes for our precinct and our town. You can expect that I will reach out to you in a number of ways: by walking through the Precinct 8 neighborhoods to meet you and say hello; by asking for feedback via surveys, email, and social media; and by showing up at community events. My goal will be to work closely with all Precinct 8 town meeting members to effectively represent YOU to the best of my ability. Thank you for your consideration and your vote!

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Write-in votes, Winchester election results now final

Election 2025 is now over. The results from the March 22 townwide elections have been certified by the Town Clerk's office. Town Clerk MaryEllen Marshall released the final numbers March 27, with 17.3% of Winchester residents casting a vote in the election, or 2,951 votes, out of

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Newcomers win spots on Winchester Select Board, School Committee

It was the perfect Election Day — warm and sunny, with a steady stream of residents going into Winchester High School to cast their ballots. Preliminary results for the March 22 townwide election show 17.2 % of residents voted on Saturday. That's 2,933 votes cast, out of the town'

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Winchester Planning Board write-ins emerge ahead of Saturday election

Winchester voters head to the polls Saturday for municipal elections featuring contested races for Select Board and School Committee

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Philip Frattaroli to be Winchester's 12th town moderator since 1915

It's a foregone conclusion. [illegible] will be Winchester's next tow[illegible] Sure, the townwide election is just days away,

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alongside an unexpected development — two write-in candidates vying for a Planning Board seat that initially have no contenders on the ballot. The March 22 election will take place at Winchester High

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but Frattaroli is running unopposed for the seat being vacated by Heather von Mering, who has been in the role since March 2020. “I decided to take it

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Celebrate Women’s History Month with Girls Leading Change

The following was submitted by the Network for Social Justice: To mark Women’s History Month and International Women’s Day in 2026, the Network for Social Justice is collaborating with club leaders from Winchester High School and members of the Community Health team from La Colaborativa in Chelsea and

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Winchester School Committee candidates bring contrasting backgrounds to Thursday forum

Two candidates for Winchester’s School Committee will face voters at a forum as the district navigates a new literacy curriculum, budget pressures and questions about student mental health. Heather von Mering and John Bellaire are competing for an open seat on the School Committee, which oversees a budget von

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‘Chicago: Teen Edition’ dances onto the Winchester High School stage

By Talia Ho | Correspondent Fame. Fortune. And all that jazz. This spring, Winchester High School presents “Chicago: Teen Edition,” a bold musical that explores celebrity culture, media manipulation, and the cost of ambition. This iconic production is set in the 1920s. Performances will take place on March 13 and 14

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Ripley Chapel in Winchester presents ‘Syldason: You Are Welcome Here’

The following was submitted by the Ripley Chapel at First Congregational Church: On Friday, March 13, beginning at 7:30 p.m., live in-person and live streamed from the stunning Ripley Chapel at First Congregational Church, Winchester, 21 Church St., join in with Syldason, a duo concert featuring Sylvie Zakarian,

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